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TURKS EXPROPRIATE BULGARIAN CHURCH PROPERTY -- Izgreve, No 1771, 27 Jun 50

The following cultural, ecclesiastical, and charitable institutions, which were established in Turkey during the nineteenth century by the Bulgarian Exarchate have now been taken over by the Turkish government: the Exarchate vicarage and chapel in Sisli; the Ecclesiastical Seminary in Istanbul, with 76 decares of grounds; the monastery in Sisli; the monastery in Ortakoy; the shrine of Saint Stefan in Phanar; the Bulgarian hospital, Evlogiy Georgiev; the Bulgarian elementary school in Beyoglu, a four-story building which is still in use; the Dr Petur Beron High School in Edirne, an elementary school, and the Saint Georgi Church; and the Saint Spiridon elementary school and church in Kirlareli.

This expropriation of Bulgarian property is an act of violence on the part of the Turkish authorities that may endanger the peace and neighborly relations that have existed between the two countries.

PROTESTS TURK'S FAILURE TO EXTRADITE BULGARIAN NATIONALS -- Izgreve, No 1769, 24 Jun 50

On 21 June 1950 the Bulgarian Minister in Ankara, Yordan Chobanov, handed a note to the Turkish government protesting the failure of the latter to extradite a group of Bulgarian nationals, consisting of: Stanimir Kolev Mikhalakiev, Dimitur Petrov Gruncharov, Mikhail Georgiev Balsamov, Hertha Mikhail Balsamova, Petur Iliev Gruncharov, Panayot Tsvetkov Popov, Nikolay Karlov Bushanov, and Vanya Dimitrova Gruncharova.

The above were sentenced to death by hanging by the Sofia District Court on 25 April 1950 for the assassination of Col Boris Ganev, director of Bulgarian Civilian Aviation, and Radio Operator Nedelko Nedelkov. The crime took place on 30 June 1948 on a scheduled airplane of the Burgas-Sofia line between Yambol and Karnobat. The Turkish government has declined to return Mikhalakiev's armed band to the Bulgarian authorities, claiming that the incident was of a political nature.

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SAYS TURKISH PRESS SLANDERS BULGARIA -- Izgrev, No 1767, 22 Jun 50

On 27 May 1950, the Bulgarian Border Patrol apprehended the 15-year-old Turkish shepherd Khak Demir on Bulgarian territory, 4 kilometers southwest of the village of Kraynovo. The boy was returned on 1 June to the Turkish authorities, and the procedure was recorded.

The reports of the two Turkish newspapers asserting that Bulgarian border guards attempted to cross the Turkish border to kidnap the boy are entirely fictitious and are part of the vicious anti-Bulgarian slander campaign conducted by the official Turkish press.

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